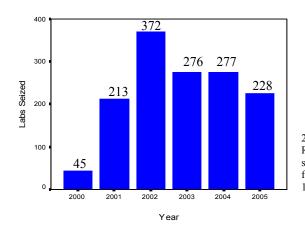
# METH IN NEBRASKA

#### **METH LABS SEIZED SINCE 2000:**



2005 Represents seizures from 1/1/05 -11/30/05

# **LOCATION OF METH:**

30% Rural 70% Urban

#### **ORIGIN OF METH:**

Meth first became problematic for Nebraska in January of 1998.

#### IMPACT OF LAW LIMITING SALE OF COLD MEDECINE:

Nebraska's law was enacted in September of 2005. The law limits the amount of pseudophedrine an individual can purchase in one month to 9 grams. It also requires that purchasers be at least 18 years of age and present a valid photo ID. The law also stipulates that all pseudophedrine products must be kept behind the counter or in a locked cabinet near the counter.

#### **METH WATCH PROGRAM:**

Nebraska's Meth Watch program, managed by Midwest HIDTA, was implemented in 2002. The reporting from retailers on sales of meth-related products is up, but there is currently no concrete data being captured regarding the program.

# **IMPACT OF METH ON TRAFFIC SAFETY:**

Nebraska does not currently monitor meth-related traffic safety issues.

# LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE:

The Nebraska State Patrol Training Academy provides a four-hour block of awareness training regarding meth labs, however the training does not certify basic recruits in lab investigation and clean up procedures.

# CHILDREN IN SOCIAL SERVICE SYSTEM DUE TO METH:

It is currently unknown how many children are in Nebraska's social service system for meth-related causes.

# PROTECTING DRUG ENDANGERED CHILDREN:

A statewide program is currently being developed based on the National Alliance Drug Endangered Children protocols.

# REHABILITATION AND TREATMENT:

Nebraska does not currently provide rehabilitation services for incarcerated methamphetamine addicts.

#### **CLEANING UP METH LABS:**

Nebraska does not currently mandate or provide any guidelines for the remediation and clean up of former methamphetamine labs

# **BEST PRACTICES:**

- Training as many officers as possible to respond to meth labs
- Current development of the DEC program

For more information about Nebraska's efforts to fight the war against meth please contact 402-471-1566